

Translation of the Examiner's Comments in the Office Action dated January 21, 2005

The applicant argued that the cited references 1 and 2 do not teach an idea in which a transfer destination stores transferred data so that the data can be recovered in a source database.

However, the Examiner does not agree with such arguments.

The object of the invention of the cited reference 1 is to transfer item data in arranged state when transferring the item data (see paragraphs 0003 to 0004). Also, the cited reference 1 teaches an arrangement where item data are transferred to a remarks field or a memo content field (a field whose attribute symbol is indicated as "x") when there is no item field corresponding to said item data in the transfer destination. Therefore, to prevent loss of information upon transferring data is an obvious problem for the invention of the cited reference 1. In addition, the cited reference 1 describes that a plurality of types of item data exist in the remarks field or the memo content field, because item data whose item does not correspond to any item in the destination are transferred to the remarks field or the memo content field (see paragraph 0015, Figs. 6 and 7).

Accordingly, in the invention of the cited reference 1, it is a technical matter that a person skilled in the art should consider to transfer item data without losing information indicating a meaning of each item data stored in the remarks field or the memo content field (information indicating attribute item in the transfer source). Also, since it is known to form data stored in a database into texts indicative of item names and its content (see JPA08-305615, paragraphs 0018-0022), Figs. 1-4 and 5), it is a matter of design for a person skilled in the art to configure a structure so that information indicating item name and its content is transferred to the remark field or memo content field of the transfer destination when transferred are the item data whose item does not correspond to any item in the transfer destination database

The rest matters added to the amended claims 1 to 11 are also obvious from the cited reference 1 as described in the previous office action.